



OCTOBER.—Three charts: 95 tracks; three or four instances every year.

Second decade: 11-20.—32 tracks.—The number of typhoons has decreased from 44 to 32 since the first decade, and we are going out of the typhoon season proper: the beginning of the month accounted for nearly the half of all the tracks of October. Now three centres only have ventured as far as the coast of Kwangtung; Formosa, the Eastern Sea and the Sea of Japan are practically a forbidden territory for the tropical storms. Some trajectories are scattered between the Bonin Group and the S. coast of Japan, where they do not form a dense bundle gathered close to a mean direction.

But at the same time an increasing activity is shown in the China Sea where the typhoons, keeping away from the Gulf of Tongking, come mostly to strike the coast between the extreme N. of Annam and lower Cochin-china with a great attraction towards the Paracels. Several centres have travelled straight from Palawan to Cochin-china: two more tracks are bent towards WSW.—The origin of the depressions is going down more and more to the S. of Yap.

Let us remark that, during this period, there is a broadening of the continental anticyclone; instead of the narrow spur projected previously towards the coast. Thus the isobar 764^{mm}, after running parallel to the Yangtze to reach the sea at Wenchow, bends there towards Korea to continue northwards to Wladivostok.

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